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## **FCC COMMISSIONER ADELSTEIN EXPRESSES STRONG SUPPORT FOR RECENT CONGRESSIONAL AND COURT ACTIONS REGARDING FCC'S MEDIA OWNERSHIP DECISION**

Washington, DC – This week, both Congress and the courts repudiated the FCC's reckless decision on media ownership. It no longer works to say "Congress and the courts made us do it" because the Commission has now been reversed by both. They got it right, and the FCC got it wrong. This is a vindication for the vast majority of the American public who opposed these rule changes. The court largely undid what would have been the most destructive rollback of media ownership protections in the history of American broadcasting.

We now need to work together on a bipartisan basis to fix the rules so they comply with the court order and respond to Congressional and public concerns. We need a more inclusive discussion than we had last time on ways to move forward. This time the Commission should truly act in the interest of the American public rather than the corporate interests of media giants who want to get even bigger.

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